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SUBJECT: DRC DIPLOMATIC NOTE CONCERNING NORTH KOREA

REF: A. KINSHASA 1552
[1](#)B. KINSHASA 1568
[1](#)C. KINSHASA 1592

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[1](#)1. (C) The DRC Ministry of Foreign Affairs sent Embassy Kinshasa a diplomatic note regarding its position on nuclear tests by North Korea. This followed condemnation of North Korea's nuclear test by the Minister of Foreign Affairs and by the Presidency's Diplomatic Adviser (reftels A and B).

[1](#)2. (U) In the note dated October 17, the government of the DRC expressed strong concern about the consequences to peace and security of nuclear arms proliferation. The note fulfills the promise made by the Ministry regarding its response to UN Security Council Resolution 1718 on North Korea (ref C).

[1](#)3. (U) Unofficial embassy translation follows:

(Complimentary opening)...and has the honor to acknowledge receipt of the note relating to the declaration made by the President of the United States on Monday, October 9 regarding the nuclear test conducted by the North Korean government.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation informs the Embassy of the United States that the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo remains extremely concerned about the problems caused by the proliferation of nuclear arms and the consequences to peace and international security.

(Complimentary close)

[1](#)4. (SBU) A copy of the diplomatic note has been transmitted to AF/C.
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